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Inventor(s) : Lijiang Yang  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Examiner Krass:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of March 3, 2006 and the Advisory Action dated June 16, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks and reconsider the application. A one-month extension of time is included for a timely response up to and including July 3, 2006.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

*Amendments to the Claims* begin on page 2 of this paper.

*Remarks* begin on page 4 of this paper.